

Report to Norwich highways agency committee
27 September 2012
Report of Head of city development services
Subject Major road works – regular monitoring

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Purpose

This report advises and updates members of current and planned future roadworks in Norwich.

Recommendation

To note the report.

Corporate and service priorities

The report helps to achieve the corporate priorities of a strong and prosperous city and the service plan priority to coordinate programmes to achieve best value.

Financial implications

There are no direct financial consequences from this report

Ward/s: All wards

Cabinet member: Councillor Bremner – Environment and development

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Background documents

None

Report

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1. Roadworks are a source of frustration and inconvenience to road users but they are an essential operation and need to be managed carefully to minimise their impact on the travelling public.
2. There are 2 main originators of roadworks; The Highway Authority and public utility companies. Norfolk County Council has a responsibility to improve and maintain the highway, while the public utility companies have a responsibility to provide and maintain their infrastructure, the vast majority of which is located under the highway. From time to time developers are also required to work in the highway, carrying out improvements to facilitate access to their developments.
3. The table attached as appendix 1 sets out the current works that are have been completed since your last meeting, are currently in progress or are planned for the future on the A, B and C class roads within the city. More detailed roadworks information is provided online via the electronic local government information network at <http://norfolk.elgin.gov.uk>
4. The more significant works are highlighted below.

Finklegate

5. At the end of December 2010 Finklegate was closed to vehicular traffic when the road and some adjoining properties showed signs of subsidence. At the beginning of December 2011, following completion of all the necessary investigation works the road was re-opened in a one-way direction from Ber Street to Queens Road.
 6. Work is due to start in early October to complete the repairs to Finklegate, and it is anticipated that the road will be fully re-opened before the start of the Christmas embargo on 12th November.
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Works in progress

Location	Lead Authority	Type of scheme	Traffic management	Expected completion	Remarks
Finklegate	City	Ground subsidence	One way outbound restriction with a 7.5 tonne weight limit.	Early November 2012	Final repairs will start in early October and should be complete by 12 th November.

Works completed since last meeting

Location	Lead Authority	Type of scheme	Traffic management	Anticipated dates	Remarks
Fifers Lane	National Grid Gas	Gas main replacement	Temporary traffic lights	Late September 2012	Some major disruption caused but works were completed ahead of schedule
St Crispins / Duke Street Rbt	City	Resurfacing	Evening working & evening/night-time closure of St Crispins flyover	23 rd July – 3 rd August	

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Dereham Road / Wendene Rbt	City	Resurfacing	Overnight working and night-time closure of the Wendene arm of the roundabout	20 th - 31 st August 2012	
Barrack Street / Whitefriars Rbt and Bull Close Road & Charlton Road	City	Resurfacing	Lane closures and off peak working	5 th - 24 th August 2012	
Clarence Road	City	Resurfacing	Road closure	16 th -18 th September	

Planned future works

Location	Lead Authority	Type of scheme	Traffic management	Anticipated dates	Remarks
Dereham Road / Old Palace Road junction	County	Junction improvement works for the BRT scheme	Not yet known	April 2013	Utility diversion works will take place before Christmas, the improvement works will take place between January and April